# "I'M ALL RIGHT,"

N a great war between two nations, the capital of the country is always supposed to be a final objective. For that reason

To have waited for the proper fitting up of the troop-ships would have kept the soldiers who planted the Stars and Stripes over Santiago and

Manila in the United States annil the present time.

If men were carried to hospitals denuded of clothing the mere fact should not excite

Such is war, and those who clamor for it must expect nothing else,-Extracts from War Department's Defence.

His War Conduct.

He Denies That 'Pulls' Won Any Honors.

# Extracts from Several Official Reports Show Weak Spots in the

FE responsible heads of the Government, whose incapacity caused the At Camp Alger, five officers and sixty-six

deed-according to the statement of one of its representatives, with the task of presenting the defence of the President. The Mail and Express vesterday published many columns of "official records" and statements calculated to the water supply was sufficient for drink-

recommendation. Ten of these Senators were Democrats and of these more than one saked for and received more than one appointment. Twenty-six staff officers were appointment Twenty-six staff officers were appointment on recommendations of Recoresentatives in Congress. Certainly if the representatives of the people could not recommend appointments, to whom could I have the honor to report that the confidence of additional new parallel here appear to call the confidence of the people could not recommend appointments, to whom could I have the honor to report that the confidence of the people could not recommend appointments. he President turn for advice?

for the immediate abandonment of this camp. Since July 25 the sick report here has increased from week to week as follows: July 25, 2,226; August 1, 2,975; August 25, 2,226; August 15, 4,426; August 18, 4,894. This last figure does not include was influenced by the splendid character of the roads throughout the park, its adaptability to camping purposes on account of abundant shade, open fields, rolling surface and the spiendid water supply.

Inspection of these figures will show that the number of sick men in this camp in-

the number of sick men in this camp increases each week by one-fourth. At this creases each week by one-fourth. At this crease each week by one-fourth. At this crease each week by one-fourth. At this c

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# Administration's Defence.

deatht, by starvation and neglect, of thousands of American soldiers, has undertaken a line of defense of the Administrative action separate cers and thirty enlisted men; Camp Meade, and distinct from that which the War Department is officially offering before The sick report of als corps, he said, was the Investigating Commission now sitting at Wasington.

President McKinley himself, on the very verge of the elections, has gone ness regarded as an excellent place for a to the Republican press for defence and justification of himself and his offi- camp. He said: cials. The New York Mail and Express is entrusted-officially appointed, inof presenting the defence of the President. The Mail and Express yesterday stream. At the time I reached Camp Alger been answered. The answer was read yes demonstrate that every department had done its duty.

The writer says: "President McKinley granted me permission to preparefor the Mail and Express this article."

The Journal culls from its own records and those of other unbiased newspasses the appended statements, which tend to show that this defence is not founded on facts.

WAR DEPARTMENT'S DEFENSE.

PRESIDENT M'RINLEY appointed 856 general and staff officers. Of these 23 were sons of distinguished an excellent fields have an election of the compasses of the presentative in the health of the troops in order to require any founded them. 4 were grandians of the saff apoliticity has been given, that the previous and 4 were adolition, as the yellow journals declare, by social "pull."

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The Journal culls from its own records and those of other unbiased newspects and the reached it for bathing purposes; only enough for cook lage when he reached it for bathing purposes; only enough for cook lage drinking and for the men to wash their faces in. Later some people came there for bathing purposes; only enough for cook lage drinking and for the men to the prime faces in. Later some people came there for each the faces in the faces of the presentation of the object of the compassion of the interpretation of the presentation of the came and of the men and of them. He telegraphed New York and a publicity in the previous presentation of the men and of them. He telegraphed New York and the face of typical fever is wholly the resulting from inexperience, but

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It was with the same idea to show the future of writing the existed at the time of writing the fetter—DR JAMES S. KENNEDY. AS.
SISTANT SURGEON, U.S. A. SANTIAGO, at Government Orders Swift Lamenches.

# FAMINE AT ALGER; SAYS M'KINLEY. SAYS GEN. GRAHAM. WAR HORROR QUERY

President Defends He Admits That the Soldiers New York Committee Gets a Suffered from Lack Cool Reply from Official War Inquiry Pon- Now, it has long been known that Good Night's Rest. of Water. Investigators.

A GOOD CAMP, THOUGH PERTINENT QUESTIONS.

Tells the War Commission That Three Will Be Submitted to the It Was an Excellent Location.

SHARP GUARD AGAINST FEVER SCATHING LETTER WAS SENT.

General Graham Says the Lack of a The Medical and Commissary Depart-Sufficient Supply of Water Did Not Affect the Health

of the Troops.

Washington, Oct. 11.-General William M. Graham, commending the Second Army Corps, was the only witness the War Investigating Committee called to-day. General Graham officially notified the committee of the number of deaths in his corps from May 20 up to late. The deaths were: less than 4 per cent. Camp Alger the wit-

ing and cooking purposes. This water was mittee in parlor K, of the Astor House.

### LAID TO REST.

Government Orders Swift Launches.

Commission at Wash-

ments Arraigned Upon the Most Serious of Charges.

CHARLES DENBY, Vice President.

The independent committee of representa-"I regard the conditions for drainage as tive New York citizens that dared ask the from wells from farms in the vicinity and Those present were: Augustus W. Peters. from springs." The witness said there was not sufficient E. Lane, Colonel William De H. Washing-

Quartermaster Hecker Accused. clonel Prime threw a bombshell

Who is this man Hecker who had harge of transportation of troops in the

seven Aldermen is to be appointed to find out, if it can, why the commerce of this port has declined during the last few years. It will, presumably, act in concert with the pre-

## CHECK IS PUT UPON "WHAT A GOOD BOY AM I"---ALGER.

ders Over His Wisdom,

He Tells What a Warrior He

W ASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—The collapse, or the suicide, of the investigation Commission leaves the situation here as calm as death. The Commissioners

But Secretary Alger's answers contained one passage which may stir up an interesting situation. Question 2 was: "When was the Santiago campaign determined on?" Secretary Alger replies that when Cervera was known to be in Santiago harbor its immediate destruction was thought necessary, and "to acomplish this the military force under Major-General Shafter was directed to move at once on the city and province of Santlago. This movement was hastened by reason of d telegram received from Admiral Sampson on June 7, stating that he had bombarded forts at Santingo on June 6 and silenced works quickly; and if 10,000 men were there city and fleet could be captured within forty-eight hours. It is proper to state," adds Secretary Alger, "that after the date of this message the

Spanish garrison was largely reinforced."

Question 6 was as follows: "Why were the troops held on transports after embarkation at Tampa, and not permitted to sail for several days?" To which the

Why Shafter Didn't Go.

Now, it has long been known that the army and the navy departments are not on good terms with each other, and the latter has intimated that the real reason why Shafter did not leave Tampa on June 8, as he had been ordered to do, and delayed there until June 16, was not because of fear of Spanish cruisers and destroyers, but simply because he was unable to handle his troops, and, in fact, was

The navy infilmates that the Spanish cruiser and destroyer were created not by Spain, but by our own War Department, in order to cover this failure of their protege, Shafter. The only basis of fact they had to go upon was a story that a protege, Shafter. The only basis of fact the protege, Shafter. The only basis of fact that the saw, at night, the snapes of some vessels which he could not account for. As it was at that time already known that Cervera was at Santiago, and as Camara's fleet had not yet been am now using my third bottle and am relieved of the nervous pricking sensation, and sleep well, which I had not done for two years. In fact, I

But the inefficiency of Shafter had to be concealed at any cost, and Commo-

But when it was known what Secretary Alger's report was going to be inquiry was made of an official high in the Navy Department as to what he thought of answer No. 6, and he replied that he did not believe that Secretary Alger would, in fact, make that answer. A day or two later the report is published, and "What have you to say now?" the official is asked. The reason I do not give his name is because the inquiry is not yet officially up to the Navy Department, and effquette forbids, therefore, that they should be supposed to know anything

The navy official, of course, has but one thing to say, or to imply, and that is that there was no phantom fleet, and that the War Department knew it. And he says that official documents exist to prove it. It may further be observed that, as a matter of fact, phantom fleet or not. Shafter was not ready to move on June 8, and could not have got off on that day, nor was be ready on the 14th. A real Spanish squadron would have been a godsend to him; but as that was not to be had, he was obliged to put up with Secretary Alger's spook production. And that would have been let pass, like so many other things, had he not implicitly blamed Sampson for exaggerating the possibilities that could be accomplished with ten thousand

men, present at the right time, at Santfago.

Sampson naturally wished to show that he did not exaggerate, but stated the exact truth. And in this contention, if ever it comes off, he is apt to have the support of General Miles, who knew and approved the suggestion of capturing Santiago by landing on the coast under cover of the navy's guns, capturing Morro, and then making a compined fleet and army attack on the city. That this could have Men's \$4 Shoes been done had the force named been on hand when it should have been does not admit of question. Secretary Alger him self cannot deny it; but as his pet general At \$2.97 Pair. proved helpless at the critical juncture the only thing to do to hoodwink the public and retain him in office was to do what was done.

It only remains to add that Secretary Alger denies point blank that his man Shafter was not ready on June S, and so issue is joined. If it came to a trial truth

Shafter was not ready on Jone S, and so issue is joined. If it came to a trial truth would be sure to emerge; but we can never be sure that in 'hese matters of 'high policy' anything inviting ventilation would be tolerated. Were the army and navy permitted to speak their minds firely, without fear or favor, the public would have a sensation. But army and navy are at present both under Republican control, and in the interests of harmony—hat is, of the re-election of McKinley—some way will probably be found to ostensibly reconcile the two departments.

The only noticeable thing that happened before the Commission to-day (so far, it must always be remembered, as the public is allowed to know), was the assertion of a witness that he thought the troubles in the camps were due not to neggent officers, nor to dedicint medicines, nor to rotten meat, nor to the propinquity of sinks to tents and kitchens, nor to unrequisitioned food supplies, nor even to the reckless indulgence of the common solders in dainties—no, the calamities were ascribable to none of these things—they were the fault of God. Files had been suggested by a previous witness; but on the whole God seems a better explanation. It was God, of course. When you come to think of it as a believing Christian, how could it be otherwise? For even if the devil were excipt in the technical act we know that he can work mischief only by God's permission.

But one recalls the Oriental story about the slave caught stealing. "Don't whip me, master," he cried, "for it was fate that made me do it." "And fale that forces me to thrash you for it," adds the canaly pions master, laying on the slick with a will. So may we hope that if God murdered our soldiers in camp He will also hang the human agents of their murder, and thus reconcile us once more to

## Inspector Thompson Sleeps in Peace,

Near His House.

In order that Police Inspector Thompson may woo the sleepy god without the inter-ruption of shouts of juvenile giee, a fat policeman guards the gate of his residence where 164th street Intersects Trinity are-

The children-and Trinity avenue between 164th and 165th streets teems with children-regard the fat policeman as a

English Cricketers' Last Game.

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### By Julian Hawthorne.

spent the morning, so far as the world may know, lu considering the answer by Secretary Alger to the six solemn interrogatories which they put to him. These answers are published to-day; but what the Commission thought or said of them is not known, and probably it never may be. It is comforting to reflect, meanwhile, that it is not of the faintest consequence what their thoughts or say-

gitb Secretary answers: "On account of advices received from Commodore Remey saying 'Spanish cruizer, second class, and Spanish torpedo boat destroyer, seen by Eagle, Nicholas Channel, Cuba; destroy convov."

helpless until Miles came down and helped him our

dore Remey was selected to do the work. As for the Lieutenant, he has kept, or has been kept, in the background, and it is hardly likely that he will be called before our amiable War Investigation Commission,

Phantom Fleet Was Necessary.

### NO CHILDISH GLEE DISTURBSHIS REST.

for a Policeman Keeps "Kids" from Iti all the harmonious combina-

Mark where he sleeps, his horest day's work done; The "copper's" test, indeed, is nobly won. The Hellads of "The Corsair" (with apologies).

children—regard the fat policeman as a bogic man and Inspector Thompson as a sort of Herod-up-to-date.

The parents of the children—particularly those of maternal persuasion—regard the policeman's presence as an insuit and his embargo on "klds" as an invasion of individual rights, for the proper description of which a ladylike vocabulary does not furnish adequate terms.

"My husband works herd at the office," says Mrs. Thompson in explanation. "He sleeps when his police dutties will let him. Until the officer was stationed here he couldn't sleep at all, for the noise of the children in front of our door. I have counted twenty-eight of them out there at once, with blercles, velocipedes, soap-box wagons, dogs and footballs, and every one was shrelking at the top of his lungs. The Inspector and other officers and other officers who were also annoyed joined in asking the captain of the precinct to station an officer in the block for the purpose of stopping the din."

English Cricketers' Last Game.

ernor Black, having a similar object in view.

After air address by Mr. Hottenroth, during which he called attention to the figures will the Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Trade and Transportation and the Merchantis' Association had given to the Governor, a resolution authorizing the committee was adopted by the Council and immediately sent to the Board of Aldermen for concurrence.

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